

# Class Schedule

## Cathedral RCIA Classes will be held:

Wednesday Evenings

5:30 pm to 6:45 pm

Church Room 3 (lower level of Cathedral)

Date	Topic*
10/30/19	Introduction and Desire for God
11/06/19	Proofs for God's Existence
11/13/19	Trinity and Incarnation
11/20/19	Liturgical Vocabulary
11/27/19	NO CLASS (Thanksgiving)
12/04/19	Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition
12/11/19	The Story of Salvation History
12/18/19	The Blessed Mother
12/25/19	NO CLASS (Christmas)
01/01/20	NO CLASS (New Year's Day/Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)
01/08/20	Faith and Grace: Our Response
01/15/20	Prayer
01/22/20	Paschal Mystery and Sacramental Economy
01/29/20	Baptism and Confirmation
02/05/20	Eucharist
02/12/20	Reconciliation
02/19/20	Anointing of the Sick
02/26/20	NO CLASS (Ash Wednesday)
03/04/20	Holy Orders
03/11/20	Matrimony
03/18/20	Dignity of the Human Person
03/25/20	Natural Law/Moral Principles
04/01/20	Life Issues (Abortion, Euthanasia, Contraception, ART, NFP)
04/08/20	Walk Through the Mass
04/15/20	The Four Last Things

\*Topics are subject to change.

# Dates to Know

## For Catechumens

Everything below will happen within the context of the **11:30 AM Mass at Cathedral** unless otherwise noted.

Date	Rite	Description
02/02/20	Rite of Acceptance	The catechumens declare their intention to the Church and the Church in turn accepts them as persons who intend to become its members. The prerequisite for making this first step is that the beginnings of the spiritual life and the fundamentals of Christian teaching have taken root in the catechumen. There must be evidence of an initial conversion and intention to change their lives and to enter into a relationship with God in Christ.
03/01/20	Rite of Sending	The Rite of Sending offers the local community (parish) the opportunity to express its approval of the catechumens and to send them forth to the celebration of election, assured of the parish's care and support.
03/01/20	Rite of Election  <i>This is not held within Mass; this usually takes place at 4:00pm at Cathedral.</i>	The Rite of Election marks the beginning of the period of final, more intense preparation for the sacraments of initiation, during which the elect will be encouraged to follow Christ with greater generosity. At this step, on the basis of the testimony of godparents and catechists, and of the catechumens' reaffirmation of their intention for full initiation, the Church judges their state of readiness and decides on their advancement toward the sacraments of initiation. This step is called election because the acceptance made by the Church is founded on the election by God, in whose name the Church acts. From the day of their election and admission, the catechumens are now called "the elect" because they are joined together in asking for and aspiring to receive the sacraments of life in Christ and the gift of the Holy Spirit.
03/15/20	First Scrutiny	See <i>Scrutinies</i> under Terms to Know (page 5 of RCIA Handbook).
03/22/20	Second Scrutiny	
03/29/20	Third Scrutiny	
04/11/20	Full Initiation at Easter Vigil  <i>Mass begins Saturday evening, usually after 7:00pm.</i>	Full Initiation includes the celebration of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. Through this final step, the elect, receiving pardon for their sins, are admitted into the people of God. They are graced with adoption as children of God and are led by the Holy Spirit into the promised fullness of time begun in Christ and, as they share in the Eucharistic sacrifice and meal, even to a foretaste of the kingdom of God.

## For Candidates Seeking Full Reception/Confirmation in the Catholic Church

Date	Rite/Event
04/02/20 or 04/03/20	Confession and Rehearsal (time TBD)
04/04/20	Reception, Confirmation and Eucharist at 8:00am Mass